What is claimed is:

1. A compound having the structure:

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10 or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein:

A is a direct bond, $-(CH_2)_e$, $-(CH_2)_eCH=CH(CH_2)_e$, or $-(CH_2)_eC=C(CH_2)_e$; R_1 is aryl, heteroaryl or heterocycle fused to phenyl, each being optionally substituted with one to four substituents independently selected from R_3 ;

$$\begin{split} &R_2 \text{ is } -R_3, -R_4, -(CH_2)_b C(=O)R_5, -(CH_2)_b C(=O)OR_5, -(CH_2)_b C(=O)NR_3 R_6, \\ &-(CH_2)_b C(=O)NR_3 (CH_2)_c C(=O)R_6, -(CH_2)_b NR_3 C(=O)R_6, \\ &-(CH_2)_b NR_5 C(=O)NR_6 R_7, -(CH_2)_b NR_3 R_6, -(CH_2)_b OR_5, \end{split}$$

 $-(CH_2)_bSO_dR_5$ or $-(CH_2)_bSO_2NR_5R_6$;

a is 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 or 6;

b and c are the same or different and at each occurrence independently selected from 0, 1, 2, 3 or 4;

d is at each occurrence 0, 1 or 2;

R₃ is at each occurrence independently halogen, hydroxy, carboxy, alkyl, alkoxy, haloalkyl, acyloxy, thioalkyl, sulfinylalkyl, sulfonylalkyl, hydroxyalkyl, aryl, substituted aryl, arylalkyl, substituted arylalkyl, heterocycle, substituted heterocycle, heterocyclealkyl, substituted heterocyclealkyl, -C(=O)OR₈, -C(=O)NR₈R₉, -C(=O)NR₈OR₉, -SO₂NR₈R₉, -NR₈SO₂R₉, -CN, -NO₂, -NR₈R₉, -NR₈C(=O)R₉, -NR₈C(=O)(CH₂)_bQR₉, -O(CH₂)_bNR₈R₉, or heterocycle fused to phenyl;

 R_4 is alkyl, aryl, arylalkyl, heterocycle or heterocyclealkyl, each being optionally substituted with one to four substituents independently selected from R_3 , or R_4 is halogen or hydroxy;

R₅, R₆and R₇ are the same or different and at each occurrence independently hydrogen, alkyl, aryl, arylalkyl, heterocycle or heterocyclealkyl, wherein each of R₅, R₆ and R₇ are optionally substituted with one to four substituents independently selected from R₃; and

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 R_8 and R_9 are the same or different and at each occurrence independently hydrogen, alkyl, aryl, arylalkyl, heterocycle, or heterocyclealkyl, or R_8 and R_9 taken together with the atom or atoms to which they are bonded form a heterocycle, wherein each of R_8 , R_9 , and R_8 and R_9 taken together to form a heterocycle are optionally substituted with one to four substituents independently selected from R_8

with the proviso that:

when A is a direct bond and R, is phenyl,

R₂ is not methyl, methoxy, C(=O)CH₃ or C(=O)H;

when A is a direct bond and R_1 is 4-Me-phenyl, R_2 is not methyl;

when A is a direct bond and R1 is 4-F-phenyl,

R2 is not trifluoromethyl;

when A is a direct bond or -C = C- and R₁ is phenyl,

R2 is not -COOEt; and

when A is a direct bond and R₁, is 6,7-dimethoxyisoquinolin-1-yl, R₂ is not hydroxy.

The compound of claim 1 wherein:

$$\begin{split} R_2 \, \text{is} \, -R_4, \, -(\text{CH}_2)_b C(=\text{O}) R_5, \, -(\text{CH}_2)_b C(=\text{O}) \text{OR}_5, \, -(\text{CH}_2)_b C(=\text{O}) \text{NR}_5 R_6, \\ -(\text{CH}_2)_b C(=\text{O}) \text{NR}_5 (\text{CH}_2)_c C(=\text{O}) R_6, \, -(\text{CH}_2)_b \text{NR}_5 C(=\text{O}) R_6, \\ -(\text{CH}_2)_b \text{NR}_5 C(=\text{O}) \text{NR}_6 R_7, \, -(\text{CH}_2)_b \text{NR}_5 R_6, \, -(\text{CH}_2)_b \text{OR}_5, \, -(\text{CH}_2)_b \text{SO}_4 R_5 \, \text{or} \\ -(\text{CH}_2)_b \text{SO}_2 \text{NR}_5 R_6. \end{split}$$

- The compound of claim 1 wherein A is a direct bond.
 - The compound of claim 1 wherein A is -(CH₂)_a-.
 - 5. The compound of claim 1 wherein A is -(CH₂)_bCH=CH(CH₂)_c-.
 - The compound of claim 1 wherein A is -(CH₂)₆C≡C(CH₂)_c-.
 - $7. \qquad \text{The compound of claim 1 wherein R_1 is anyl optionally substituted with one to four substituents independently selected from R_3.}$

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- $8. \qquad \text{The compound of claim 1 wherein } R_1 \text{ is heteroaryl optionally substituted} \\$ with one to four substituents independently selected from $R_3.$
- 9. The compound of claim 1 wherein R_1 is heterocycle fused to phenyl 5 optionally substituted with one to four substituents independently selected from R_3 .
 - The compound of claim 1 wherein R₂ is -(CH₂)_bC(=O)R₅.
- 11. The compound of claim 1 wherein R_2 is -(CH₂)_bC(=0)NR₃R₆.
 - 12. The compound of claim 1 wherein R₂ is -(CH₂)_bNR₅C(=O)R₆.
 - 13. The compound of claim 1 wherein R₂ is -(CH₂)₆NR₅R₆.
- 15 14. The compound of claim 1 wherein R₂ is R₄.
 - The compound of claim 14 wherein R₄ is substituted alkyl.
 - The compound of claim 14 wherein R₄ is substituted arylalkyl.
 - 17. The compound of claim 14 wherein R₄ is substituted heterocycle.
 - 18. The compound of claim 14 wherein R_4 is 3-triazolyl, optionally substituted at its 5-position with:
- 25 (a) a C_1 - C_4 straight or branched chain alkyl group optionally substituted with a hydroxyl, methylamino, dimethylamino or 1-pyrrolidinyl group; or
 - (b) a 2-pyrrolidinyl group.
- $\label{eq:compound} 19. \qquad \text{The compound of claim 14 wherein R_4 is tetrazole.}$ 30
 - The compound of claim 14 wherein R₄ is imidazole.
- A composition comprising the compound of claim 1 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

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22. A method for treating a condition responsive to JNK inhibition, comprising administering to a patient in need thereof an effective amount of a compound having the structure:

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof,

10 wherein:

A is a direct bond, $-(CH_2)_{\sigma'}$, $-(CH_2)_bCH=CH(CH_2)_c$, or $-(CH_2)_bC=C(CH_2)_c$; R_1 is aryl, heteroaryl or heterocycle fused to phenyl, each being optionally substituted with one to four substituents independently selected from R_s ;

 R_2 is $-R_3$, $-R_4$, $-(CH_2)_bC(=O)R_5$, $-(CH_2)_bC(=O)OR_5$, $-(CH_2)_bC(=O)NR_5R_6$, $-(CH_2)_bC(=O)NR_5(CH_2)_bC(=O)R_6$, $-(CH_2)_bNR_5C(=O)R_6$, $-(CH_3)_bNR_4C(=O)NR_4R_2$, $-(CH_3)_bNR_4R_6$, $-(CH_2)_bOR_5$,

-(CH₂)₆SO₂R₅ or -(CH₂)₆SO₂NR₅R₆.

a is 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 or 6;

b and c are the same or different and at each occurrence independently selected from 0, 1, 2, 3 or 4;

d is at each occurrence 0, 1 or 2;

R₃ is at each occurrence independently halogen, hydroxy, carboxy, alkyl, alkoxy, haloalkyl, acyloxy, thioalkyl, sulfinylalkyl, sulfonylalkyl, hydroxyalkyl, aryl, substituted aryl, arylalkyl, substituted arylalkyl, heterocycle, substituted heterocycle, heterocyclealkyl, substituted heterocyclealkyl, -C(=O)OR₈, -OC(=O)R₈, -C(=O)NR₈R₉, -C(=O)NR₈R₉, -SO₂NR₈R₉, -NR₈SO₂R₉, -CN, -NO₂, -NR₈R₉, -NR₈C(=O)R₉, -NR₈C(=O)(CH₂)_bOR₉, -NR₈C(=O)(CH₂)_bR₉, -O(CH₃),NR₈R₉, or heterocycle fused to phenyl:

R₄ is alkyl, aryl, arylalkyl, heterocycle or heterocyclealkyl, each being optionally substituted with one to four substituents independently selected from R₃, or R₄ is halogen or hydroxy;

R₅, R₆ and R₇ are the same or different and at each occurrence independently hydrogen, alkyl, aryl, arylalkyl, heterocycle or heterocyclealkyl, wherein each of R₅, R₆ and R₇ are optionally substituted with one to four substituents independently selected from R₃; and

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- R_8 and R_9 are the same or different and at each occurrence independently hydrogen, alkyl, aryl, arylalkyl, heterocycle, or heterocyclealkyl, or R_8 and R_9 taken together with the atom or atoms to which they are bonded form a heterocycle, wherein each of R_8 , R_9 , and R_8 and R_9 taken together to form a heterocycle are optionally substituted with one to four substituents independently selected from R_8 .
 - 23. The method of claim 22 wherein:

$$\begin{split} R_2 &\text{ is } - R_4, -(\text{CH}_2)_b C(=0) R_5, -(\text{CH}_2)_b C(=0) \text{OR}_5, -(\text{CH}_2)_b C(=0) \text{NR}_5 R_6, \\ &-(\text{CH}_2)_b C(=0) \text{NR}_5 (\text{CH}_2)_c C(=0) R_6, -(\text{CH}_2)_b \text{NR}_5 C(=0) R_6, \\ &-(\text{CH}_2)_b \text{NR}_5 C(=0) \text{NR}_6 R_7, -(\text{CH}_2)_b \text{NR}_5 R_6, -(\text{CH}_2)_b \text{OR}_5, -(\text{CH}_2)_b \text{SO}_d R_5 \text{ or} \\ &-(\text{CH}_2)_b \text{SO}_2 \text{NR}_5 R_6. \end{split}$$

- 24. The method of claim 22 wherein the condition is cancer.
- 25. The method of claim 22 wherein the condition is rheumatoid arthritis; rheumatoid spondylitis; osteoarthritis; gout; asthma, bronchitis; allergic rhinitis; chronic obstructive pulmonary disease; cystic fibrosis; inflammatory bowel disease; irritable bowel syndrome; mucous colitis; ulcerative colitis; Crohn's disease; Huntington's disease; gastritis; esophagitis; hepatitis; 20 pancreatitis; nephritis; multiple sclerosis; endotoxin shock; lupus erythematosus; Type II diabetes; psoriasis; burn caused by exposure to fire, chemicals or radiation; eczema; dermatitis; skin graft; ischemia; ischemic conditions associated with surgery or traumatic injury; cachexia or angiogenic and proliferative diseases.
- 25 26. The method of claim 22 wherein the condition is atherosclerosis, restenosis following angioplasty, left ventricular hypertrophy, or myocardial infarction.
- 27. The method of claim 22 wherein the condition is stroke or ischemic damages of heart, lung, gut, kidney, liver, pancreas, spleen or brain.
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 - 28. The method of claim 22 wherein the condition is acute or chronic organ transplant rejection, preservation of the organ for transplantation, graft versus host disease or multiple organ failure.

- 29. The method of claim 22 wherein the condition is epilepsy, Alzheimer's disease, or Parkinson's disease.
- 30. The method of claim 22 wherein the condition is an immunological response 5 to bacterial or viral infection.
- 31. The method of claim 22 wherein the condition is solid tumor or cancers of a variety of tissues such as colon, rectum, prostate, liver, lung, bronchus, pancreas, brain, head, neck, stomach, skin, kidney, cervix, blood, larynx, esophagus, mouth, pharynx, urinary bladder, 10 ovary or uterine.
 - 32. The method of claim 22 wherein A is a direct bond.
 - 33. The method of claim 22 wherein A is $-(CH_2)_a$.
 - 34. The method of claim 22 wherein A is -(CH₂)_bCH=CH(CH₂)_c-.
 - 35. The method of claim 22 wherein A is $-(CH_2)_t C \equiv C(CH_2)_c$.

 $\label{eq:continuous} 36. \qquad \text{The method of claim 22 wherein R_1 is aryl optionally substituted with one to} \\ \text{four substituents independently selected from R_3}.$

- $37. \qquad \text{The method of claim 22 wherein } R_1 \text{ is heteroaryl optionally substituted with} \\ \text{one to four substituents independently selected from } R_3.$
 - 38. The method of claim 22 wherein R_1 is heterocycle fused to phenyl optionally substituted with one to four substitutents independently selected from R_3 .
- 39. The method of claim 22 wherein R_2 is -(CH₂)_bC(=O)R₅.
 - 40. The method of claim 22 wherein R₂ is -(CH₂)_bC(=O)NR₅R₆.
 - 41. The method of claim 22 wherein R₂ is -(CH₂)NR₅C(=O)R₆.

- 42. The method of claim 22 wherein R2 is -(CH2)bNR5R6.
- 43. The method of claim 22 wherein R2 is R4.
- 5 44. The method of claim 43 wherein R₄ is substituted alkyl.
 - 45. The method of claim 43 wherein R4 is substituted arylalkyl.
 - The method of claim 43 wherein R₄ is substituted heterocycle. 46.
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 - 47. The method of claim 43 wherein R₄ is 3-triazolyl, optionally substituted at its 5-position with:
- (a) a C1-C4 straight or branched chain alkyl group optionally substituted with a hydroxyl, methylamino, dimethylamino or 1-pyrrolidinyl group; or 15
 - (b) a 2-pyrrolidinyl group.
 - 48. The method of claim 43 wherein R_4 is tetrazole.
 - 49. The method of claim 43 wherein R4 is imidazole.
 - 50. A method for treating or preventing rheumatoid arthritis; rheumatoid spondylitis; osteoarthritis; gout; asthma, bronchitis; allergic rhinitis; chronic obstructive pulmonary disease; cystic fibrosis; inflammatory bowel disease; irritable bowel syndrome; mucous colitis; ulcerative colitis; Crohn's disease; Huntington's disease; gastritis; esophagitis; hepatitis;
- 25 pancreatitis; nephritis; multiple sclerosis; lupus erythematosus; Type II diabetes; atherosclerosis; restenosis following angioplasty; left ventricular hypertrophy; myocardial infarction; stroke; ischemic damages of heart, lung, gut, kidney, liver, pancreas, spleen and brain; acute or chronic organ transplant rejection; preservation of an organ for transplantation; graft versus host disease; endotoxin shock; multiple organ failure; psoriasis; burn caused by exposure to fire, chemicals, or
- 30 radiation; eczema; dermatitis; skin graft; ischemia; ischemic conditions associated with surgery or traumatic injury; epilepsy; Alzheimer's disease; Parkinson's disease; immunological response to bacterial or viral infection; cachexia; angiogenic and proliferative dieseases; solid tumor; and cancers of a variety of tissues such as colon, rectum, prostate, liver, lung, bronchus, pancreas, brain, head, neck, stomach, skin, kidney, cervix, blood, larynx, esophagus, mouth, pharynx, urinary

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bladder, ovary, or uterine comprising administering to a patient in need of such treatment or prevention an effective amount of a compound having the structure:

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof,

10 wherein:

A is a direct bond, -(CH₂)_a-, -(CH₂)_bCH=CH(CH₂)_c-, or -(CH₂)_bC=C(CH₂)_c-; R₁ is aryl, heteroaryl or heterocycle fused to phenyl, each being optionally substituted with one to four substituents independently selected from R₃; R₂ is -R₃, -R₄, -(CH₂)_bC(=O)R₅, -(CH₂)_bC(=O)NR₅R₅.

 R_2 is $-R_3$, $-R_4$, $-(CH_2)_bC(=O)R_5$, $-(CH_2)_bC(=O)NR_5R$, $-(CH_2)_b(=O)NR_5R$, $-(CH_2)_b(=O)NR_6$, $-(CH_2)_bNR_5C(=O)R_6$, $-(CH_2)_bNR_5C(=O)R_6$, $-(CH_2)_bNR_5C(=O)NR_6R_7$, $-(CH_2)_bNR_5R_6$, $-(CH_2)_bOR_5$, $-(CH_2)_bSO_aR_5$ or $-(CH_2)_bSO_2NR_3R_6$, $-(CH_2)_bSO_4R_5$ or $-(CH_2)_bSO_2NR_5R_6$,

a is 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 or 6;

b and c are the same or different and at each occurrence independently selected from 0, 1, 2, 3 or 4;

d is at each occurrence 0, 1 or 2;

R₃ is at each occurrence independently halogen, hydroxy, carboxy, alkyl, alkoxy, haloalkyl, acyloxy, thioalkyl, sulfinylalkyl, sulfonylalkyl, hydroxyalkyl, aryl, substituted aryl, arylalkyl, substituted arylalkyl, heterocycle, substituted heterocycle, heterocyclealkyl, substituted heterocyclealkyl, -C(=O)OR₈, -O(=O)R₈, -C(=O)NR₈R₉, -C(=O)NR₈R₉, -SO₂NR₈R₉, -NR₈SO₂R₉, -CN, -NO₂, -NR₈R₉, -NR₈C(=O)R₉, -NR₈C(=O)(CH₂)_bOR₉, -NR₈C(=O)(CH₂)_bR₉, -O(CH₂)_bNR₈R₉, or heterocycle fused to phenyl:

R₄ is alkyl, aryl, arylalkyl, heterocycle or heterocyclealkyl, each being optionally substituted with one to four substituents independently selected from R₃, or R₄ is halogen or hydroxy;

R₅, R₆ and R₇ are the same or different and at each occurrence independently hydrogen, alkyl, aryl, arylalkyl, heterocycle or heterocyclealkyl, wherein each of R₅, R₆ and R₇ are optionally substituted with one to four substituents independently selected from R₃; and

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- R_8 and R_9 are the same or different and at each occurrence independently hydrogen, alkyl, aryl, arylalkyl, heterocycle, or heterocyclealkyl, or R_8 and R_9 taken together with the atom or atoms to which they are bonded form a heterocycle, wherein each of R_9 , R_9 , and R_8 and R_9 taken together to form a heterocycle are optionally substituted with one to four substituents independently selected from R_9 .
- 51. The method of claim 50 wherein:

$$\begin{split} R_2 & \text{is -R_4, -(CH_2)_bC(=O)R_5, -(CH_2)_bC(=O)OR_5, -(CH_2)_bC(=O)NR_5R_6,} \\ & -(CH_2)_bC(=O)NR_5(CH_2)_cC(=O)R_6, -(CH_2)_bNR_5C(=O)R_6, \\ & -(CH_2)_bNR_5C(=O)NR_6R_7, -(CH_2)_bNR_5R_6, -(CH_2)_bOR_5, -(CH_2)_bSO_dR_5 \text{ or } \\ & -(CH_2)_bSO_2NR_5R_6. \end{split}$$

- 52. The method of claim 50 wherein A is a direct bond.
- 53. The method of claim 50 wherein A is -(CH₂)_a-.
- 54. The method of claim 50 wherein A is -(CH₂)₆CH=CH(CH₂)_c-.
- 55. The method of claim 50 wherein A is $-(CH_2)_bC \equiv C(CH_2)_c$.
- 56. The method of claim 50 wherein R_1 is aryl optionally substituted with one to four substituents independently selected from R_3 .
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 57. The method of claim 50 wherein R₁ is heteroaryl optionally substituted with one to four substituents independently selected from R₃.
- $58. \hspace{0.5cm} \text{The method of claim 50 wherein } R_1 \text{ is heterocycle fused to phenyl optionally} \\ \text{30 substituted with one to four substituents independently selected from } R_3.$
 - 59. The method of claim 50 wherein R₂ is -(CH₂)_bC(=O)R₅.
 - 60. The method of claim 50 wherein R₂ is -(CH₂)_bC(=O)NR₅R₆.

- 61. The method of claim 50 wherein R₂ is -(CH₂)NR₅C(=O)R₆.
- 61. The method of claim 50 wherein R₂ is -(CH₂)_bNR₅R₆.
- 5 63. The method of claim 50 wherein R₂ is R₄.
 - 64. The method of claim 63 wherein R₄ is substituted alkyl.
 - The method of claim 63 wherein R₄ is substituted arylalkyl.
 - 66. The method of claim 63 wherein R₄ is substituted heterocycle.
- 67. The method of claim 63 wherein R_4 is 3-triazolyl, optionally substituted at its 5-position with:
- (a) a C₁-C₄ straight or branched chain alkyl group optionally substituted with a hydroxyl, methylamino, dimethylamino or 1-pyrrolidinyl group; or
 - (b) a 2-pyrrolidinyl group.
 - 68. The method of claim 63 wherein R₄ is tetrazole.
 - 69. The method of claim 63 wherein R₄ is imidazole.
- 70. The compound of claim 1, wherein -A-R₁ is phenyl, optionally substituted with one to four substituents independently selected from halogen, alkoxy, -NR₈C(=O)R₉, 25 -C(=O)NR₈R₉, and -O(CH₂)_hNR₈R₉, wherein *b* is 2 or 3.
 - 71. The compound of claim 1, wherein R_2 is -(CH₂) $_b$ C(=O)NR $_s$ R $_\phi$.
 -(CH₃) $_b$ NR $_s$ C(=O)R $_\phi$, 3-triazolyl or 5-tetrazolyl, wherein b is 0.
- 30 The compound of claim 1, wherein R₂ is 3-triazolyl or 5-tetrazolyl.
 - 73. The compound of claim 1, wherein:
 - (a) -A-R₁ is phenyl, optionally substituted with one to four substituents independently selected from halogen, alkoxy, -NR₈C(=O)R₉, -C(=O)NR₈R₉,
- 35 and $-O(CH_2)_bNR_8R_9$, wherein b is 2 or 3; and

- (b) R_2 is $-(CH_2)_bC(=O)NR_3R_6$, $-(CH_2)_bNR_3C(=O)R_6$, 3-triazolyl or 5-tetrazolyl, wherein b is 0.
 - 74. The compound of claim 1, wherein
- 5 (a) -A-R₁ is phenyl, optionally substituted with one to four substituents independently selected from halogen, alkoxy, -NR₈C(=O)R₉, -C(=O)NR₈R₉, and -O(CH₂)_bNR₈R₉, wherein b is 2 or 3; and
 - (b) R2 is 3-triazolyl or 5-tetrazolyl.
- 75. The method of claim 22, wherein -A-R₁ is phenyl, optionally substituted with one to four substituents independently selected from halogen, alkoxy, -NR₈C(=O)R₉, -C(=O)NR₈R₉, and -O(CH₂)₈NR₈R₈, wherein b is 2 or 3.
- 76. The method of claim 22, wherein R_2 is -(CH₂)_bC(=O)NR₃R₆, 15 -(CH₂)_bNR₅C(=O)R₆, 3-triazolyl or 5-tetrazolyl, wherein b is 0.
 - 77. The method of claim 22, wherein R₂ is 3-triazolyl or 5-tetrazolyl.
 - 78. The method of claim 22, wherein:
- 20 (a) -A-R₁ is phenyl, optionally substituted with one to four substituents independently selected from halogen, alkoxy, -NR_§C(=O)R₉, -C(=O)NR_§R₉, and -O(CH₂)_bNR_§R₉, wherein b is 2 or 3; and
 - (b) R_2 is -(CH₂)_bC(=O)NR₃R₆, -(CH₂)_bNR₅C(=O)R₆, 3-triazolyl or 5-tetrazolyl, wherein b is 0.
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- 79. The method of claim 22, wherein
- (a) -A-R₁ is phenyl, optionally substituted with one to four substituents independently selected from halogen, alkoxy, -NR₈C(=O)R₉, -C(=O)NR₈R₉, and -O(CH₂)_hNR₈R₉, wherein b is 2 or 3; and
- 30 (b) R₂ is 3-triazolyl or 5-tetrazolyl.
 - 80. The method of claim 50, wherein -A-R₁ is phenyl, optionally substituted with one to four substituents independently selected from halogen, alkoxy, -NR₈C(=O)R₉, -C(=O)NR₈R₉, and -O(CH₂)_bNR₈R₉, wherein b is 2 or 3.

- 81. The method of claim 50, wherein R_2 is -(CH₂) $_b$ C(=O)NR $_3$ R $_6$, -(CH₃) $_a$ NR $_5$ C(=O)R $_6$, 3-triazolyl or 5-tetrazolyl, wherein b is 0.
 - 82. The method of claim 50, wherein R_2 is 3-triazolyl or 5-tetrazolyl.

- 83. The method of claim 50, wherein:
- (a) -A-R₁ is phenyl, optionally substituted with one to four substituents independently selected from halogen, alkoxy, -NR₈C(=O)R₉, -C(=O)NR₈R₉, and -O(CH₂)_hNR₈R₉, wherein b is 2 or 3; and
- 10 (b) R_2 is -(CH₂)₆C(=O)NR₅R₆, -(CH₂)₆NR₅C(=O)R₆, 3-triazolyl or 5-tetrazolyl, wherein b is 0.
 - 84. The method of claim 50, wherein:
- (a) -A-R₁ is phenyl, optionally substituted with one to four substituents 15 independently selected from halogen, alkoxy, -NR₈C(=O)R₉, -C(=O)NR₈R₉, and -O(CH₂)_bNR₈R₉, wherein b is 2 or 3; and
 - (b) R₂ is 3-triazolyl or 5-tetrazolyl.
- 85. The compound of claim 18 wherein R₄ is methyl, n-propyl, isopropyl, 1-20 hydroxyethyl, 3-hydroxypropyl, methylaminomethyl, dimethylaminomethyl, 1-(dimethylamino)ethyl, 1-pyrrolidinylmethyl or 2-pyrrolidinyl.
- 86. The method of claim 47 wherein R_4 is methyl, n-propyl, isopropyl, 1-hydroxyethyl, 3-hydroxypropyl, methylaminomethyl, dimethylaminomethyl, 1- $\frac{25}{2}$ (dimethylamino)ethyl, 1-pyrrolidinylmethyl or 2-pyrrolidinyl.
 - $87. \hspace{0.5cm} \mbox{The method of claim 67 wherein R_4 is methyl, n-propyl, isopropyl, 1-hydroxyethyl, 3-hydroxypropyl, methylaminomethyl, dimethylaminomethyl, 1-(dimethylamino)ethyl, 1-pyrrolidinylmethyl or 2-pyrrolidinyl.} \\$